IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION

MONKEYMEDIA, INC.	§	
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Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
v.	§	CAUSE NO. 2:17-CV-0460-JRG
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SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO.,	§	
LTD, et al.	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO COMPEL PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Plaintiff MONKEYmedia, Inc. files this Motion to Compel Defendants to produce documents pursuant to Paragraph 3 of the Discovery Order [Dkt 20-1] regarding the Samsung Smart TVs and laptop/notebook computers ("Laptops") listed in Plaintiff's infringement contentions.

I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. MONKEYmedia identified Smart TVs and Laptops as accused products in its Complaint. The list of Smart TVs and Laptops in its infringement contentions has remained the same. Each relevant claims chart has identified Smart TVs and Laptops as among the Accused Devices that play streaming media apps in much of the same manner as the charted devices. Samsung's discovery obligations include not only charted products, but also identified products operating in a similar manner.
- 2. MONKEYmedia has even repeatedly offered to agree to representative products for Laptops and Smart TVs (as it had on other categories), thereby dramatically reducing the discovery burden on Samsung. Samsung has refused at every turn and will not produce the discovery for these devices. Accordingly, MONKEYmedia asks that the

Court compel Samsung to produce discovery on Smart TVs and Laptops.

II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 3. Plaintiff's Complaint asserted infringement of three patents against two general categories of Samsung Devices: Blu-ray players playing Discs in an infringing manner, and Devices playing streaming media apps in an infringing manner. As to the '379 and '226 Patents, the Complaint alleges this latter category includes "devices, such as smart TVs...laptops, and other personal computers that are capable of playing Apps with streaming audio and/or visual content ..." Complaint ¶¶12,15. The Galaxy Book laptop series and models of Smart TVs were identified as accused products (¶¶20, 22).
- 4. On September 6, 2017, before Defendants' answered, Plaintiff provided disclosures and infringement contentions pursuant to P.R. 3-1. The infringement contentions listed several series of Samsung Laptops and Smart TVs as Accused Devices that played streaming media apps. Plaintiff also provided representative claim charts for each Patent. For the '226 and '379 Patents, the representative for Accused Device charted for devices playing streaming media Apps was a Samsung Smart Phone. The claim charts referenced Smart TVs and Laptops as Accused Devices in the streaming media device category and made clear the charted Phone was representative of the other devices in this category. Plaintiff also made clear that discovery was needed to determine how the different devices technically accomplished the claim limitations.
- 5. On October 10, 2017, in response to a letter from Samsung's counsel about inconsistencies regarding infringement theories, Plaintiff served amended disclosures and corrected these errors. Samsung does not complain about these corrections. The lists of accused laptop computers and Smart TVs <u>did not change</u> and are

shown by the excerpt from the infringement contentions attached as Exhibit 1.¹

- 6. Samsung's counsel also complained in the letter that the claim charts did not specifically chart all devices listed in the infringement contentions, such as Smart TVs or Laptops. Plaintiff explained again that Smart TVs and Laptops (which were identified as accused devices in the charts) practiced claims in essentially the same outward manner as Smart Phones and Tablets, but "the hardware and software (including source code) of the TV or Computer as well as their design specifications would need to be analyzed to determine exactly how the TV or Computer carries out the instructions embedded in the App or other Seamless Expansion Content."
- 7. Because there were numerous device models listed in the infringement contentions, Plaintiff asked to meet and confer about having a representative product for each type of device rather than Samsung having the burden of producing source code and technical documents for each listed model. Samsung did not respond to this request.
- 8. Two days later, the parties' counsel met in person about the status. Samsung did not dispute that the infringement contentions identified the Laptops and Smart TVs on Exhibit 1. Rather, Samsung argued the infringement contentions were limited to the exact model of Blu-ray player and exact model of phone shown in the representative Claim Charts (and to the exact media played). Plaintiff's counsel again explained the charted Blu-ray player was simply representative of the models listed in its infringement contentions (i.e. all models appeared to play in essentially the same manner, subject to review of source code and technical documents); and the charted phone was representative of the devices listed in its infringement contentions that played streaming

As part of the meet and confer in April 2018 that is discussed below, the parties agreed that Plaintiff would limit its infringement arguments as to these devices to the '226 and '379 Patents and not pursue infringement of these devices based on the '158 Patent.

media apps in essentially the same manner (subject to review of source code and technical documents). However, to resolve Samsung's complaint, Plaintiff agreed to provide additional information in the claims charts as part of its additional disclosures.

9. As agreed, Plaintiff added basic information to the claim charts in its additional disclosures on October 25. For example, Plaintiff included charts of the '379 Patent and '226 Patents that charted the Samsung Blu-ray player/media player playing Netflix and noted the following in a footnote

"It is also based on playing the Representative App ... on a 55" Samsung Smart TV and 40" Samsung Tizen Smart TV ... Similarly, Samsung Smart TVs having media player functionality as in the tested Samsung TVs listed above are believed to perform similarly with respect to the claimed methods to the extent they rely on the Opera or Tizen Platforms.

MONKEYmedia will also need to examine the hardware and software (i.e. source code), as well as the related framework and reference design documents of the Samsung Blu-ray Players and Smart TVs to determine exactly how they implement the instructions in the App with Seamless Expansion Content to perform the claimed methods.

- 10. Plaintiff also provided some additional information (primarily links to Samsung sites) about the Smart TVs and Blu-ray Players in the charts, but noted that most of the limitations were software-driven and "MONKEYmedia will need to examine the hardware and software (i.e. source code), as well as the related framework and reference design documents of the Samsung Device to determine exactly how the Device implements these instructions." Notably, Plaintiff did not change the models of laptop computers and Smart TVs shown on Exhibit 1 as Accused Devices, and the additions to the claim charts did not change the infringement contentions.
- 11. After Plaintiff agreed to provide more information to resolve Samsung's complaint about insufficiency, Samsung changed the focus of its objections from objecting to insufficient detail in the charts, to objecting that the October 25 claim charts

improperly amended Plaintiff's infringement contentions without leave of Court. Again, the infringement contentions did not change – they listed the same Laptops and Smart TVs shown on Exhibit 1, and the additions to the claims charts did not affect the scope of the infringement contentions. Plaintiff still needed to review the source code and other technical documents that had not yet been provided. Plaintiff also continued requesting that the parties confer about using representative products for production of source code and technical documents. These requests again went unheeded.

- 12. Counsel for the parties continued discussing this issue as well as Samsung's failure to produce numerous documents. For example, Samsung had not produced (and still has not produced) financial information and has only produced source code and very limited technical information for the Blu-ray Player model and smart phone model illustrated in the original Claim Charts. In April 2018, Plaintiff's counsel sent a lengthy letter to Samsung's counsel about Samsung's failure to produce numerous documents under the Discovery Order and about the issue of infringement contentions. Plaintiff's counsel repeated Plaintiff's position that the infringement contentions had not been amended for the reasons stated above. He requested that the parties meet and confer by April 25, 2018 about the infringement contentions and discovery issues, and also about using a representative product for each type of device.
- 13. Samsung never responded to this letter. It also did not respond to the request to confer by April 25, 2018. However, the parties finally conferred on May 8, 2018 and had a productive discussion. They agreed, among other things, that Samsung would start a rolling production of documents, that representative products would be used for Blu-ray Players, smart phones and tablets, and that the types of media would be Blu-

ray Discs for Disc Players and Amazon Video, Hulu, Pandora Radio, and Netflix for streaming media. Samsung's counsel agreed to reconsider the objection about Smart TVs and Plaintiff agreed to consider withdrawing Laptops as Accused Devices.

14. On May 14, Samsung informed Plaintiff that it would maintain its objection that Smart TVs were not originally charted, and the October 25 claim charts improperly amended the infringement contentions without leave of Court. For this reason Samsung is refusing to produce the required documents for the Laptops and Smart TVs listed in Plaintiff's infringement contentions in Exhibit 1.²

III. ARGUMENT AND AUTHORITIES

15. Infringement contentions serve to give notice of "particular theories of infringement with sufficient specificity to provide defendants with notice of infringement beyond that which is provided by the mere language of the patent [claims] themselves." *STMicroelectronics, Inc. v. Motorola, Inc.*, 308 F. Supp. 2d 754, 755 (E.D.Tex. 2004). "It is well settled in the Eastern District that 'there is no brightline rule that discovery is permanently limited to the products specifically accused in a party's [infringement contentions]." *DDR Holdings, LLC v. Hotels.com, L.P.*, No. 2:06-cv-42-JRG, 2012 WL 2935172, at *2 (E.D. Tex. July 18, 2012) (quoting *Honeywell Int'l, Inc. v. Acer Am. Corp.*, 655 F. Supp. 2d 650, 655 (E.D. Tex. 2009)) (alteration in original). A plaintiff need only "demonstrate that its [infringement contentions] gave [defendant] notice of a specific theory of infringement and that the products for which it seeks discovery operate in a manner reasonably similar to that theory." *Honeywell*, 655 F. Supp. 2d at 656.

Plaintiff is still willing to confer with Samsung about using representative products for Laptops and Smart TVs (as agreed for other categories).

- 16. Here, MONKEYMedia expressly identified Smart TVs and Laptops in its Complaint, in its infringement contentions as shown in Exhibit 1 and as Accused Devices in its claim charts. It is undisputed that Samsung Laptops and Smart TVs, just like smart phones and tablets, play one or more of the streaming apps at issue. How these apps play on the different types of devices is dictated by the source code of the devices and MONKEYmedia needs to review the source code and technical documents of the devices. The scenario that claim charts can be supplemented after reviewing this material without being an amendment of infringement contentions is expressly contemplated by Paragraph 3(a)(i) of the Discovery Order. This same logic applies to the additions made by Plaintiff to the October 25 Claims Charts.
- 17. Samsung has known all along which models of Laptops and Smart TVs are accused by Plaintiff and the manner of infringement. Simply because Plaintiff agreed to add more detail to claim charts, does not mean Plaintiff improperly "amended" its infringement contentions. Samsung is stonewalling and should be required to produce discovery on these products.³

IV. PRAYER

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff MONKEYmedia respectfully requests this Court to compel Samsung to produce the documents described above. Plaintiff further requests such other relief to which it may show itself to be justly entitled.

In an abundance of caution, Plaintiff anticipates filing a Motion for Leave to Amend Infringement Contentions in the event the Court determines that Laptops and Smart TVs are not within the Accused Products and that the additional information added in in the October 25 claim charts on October 25, 2017 is an amendment of infringement contentions that requires leave of Court pursuant to P.R. 3-6(b). Samsung has stated it will oppose that motion.

Dated: May 22, 2018 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

In compliance with Local Rule CV-7(h), Steve Smit and Claire Henry, lead and local counsel for Plaintiff, conferred with Mark Fowler and Melissa Smith, lead and local counsel for defendants, on May 8, 2018 by phone in a good faith attempt to resolve the matter without court intervention. The parties continued to discuss these issues via email correspondence on at least two more occasions. The parties could not an reach agreement because, despite on-going discussions and meet and confers for over two months, defendants are refusing to produce the requested documents. Discussions have conclusively ended in an impasse, leaving an open issue for the Court to resolve.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 22nd day of May, 2018, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to counsel of record for Defendants as follows:

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Product	'158 Claims	Direct	Induce	'379 Claims	Direct	Induce	'226 Claims	Direct	Induce
	Infringed			Infringed			Infringed		
Samsung laptop	37, 40	Y	Y	21-27	Y	Y	1-6	Y	Y
computers -	(method			(computer			(computer		
Samsung laptop	claims)			readable media			readable		
computers sold since	(infringement			claims			media		
March 2013 and	depends on			(infringement			claims		
laptop computers that	app or Digital			depends on app or			(infringement		
otherwise allow for	Download and			Digital Download			depends on		
the simultaneous	type of			and type of			app or		
storage and playback	Seamless			Seamless Expansion			Digital		
of music, movies,	Expansion			Content being			Download		
videos, television	Content being			played when used			and type of		
shows, and other	played)			with touch screen or			Seamless		
continuous play				voice control remote			Expansion		
media content in	41 (method	Y	Y	or other device that			Content	Y	Y
conjunction with	claim)			does not require			being played)		
digital downloads	(infringement			pushing a button to					
(such as movies) and	depends on			access seamless			7-12		
apps allowing for	App or Digital			expansion content))			(method		
seamless expansion	Download and						claims		
that are pre-loaded or	type of						(infringement		
can be downloaded	Seamless						depends on		
from the Samsung	Expansion						app or		
App Store or other	Content being						Digital		
app stores such as	played when						Download		
Google Play Store or	used with						and type of		
other websites.	touch screen						Seamless		
These include	or voice						Expansion		
ATIV Notebook	control remote						Content		
Series (including	or other						being played)		
Notebook 7, 7 Spin,	device that								

8, 9 and 9 Pro), Notebook Odyssey Series, Galaxy Book Series; Chromebook Series.	does not require pushing a button to access seamless expansion content)								
Product	'158 Claims	Direct	Induce	'379 Claims	Direct	Induce	'226 Claims	Direct	Induce
	Infringed			Infringed			Infringed		
Samsung Smart TVs	37, 40	Y	Y	21-27	Y	Y	1-6	Y	Y
- Smart TVs that	(method			(computer			(computer		
allow for the	claims)			readable media			readable		
simultaneous storage	(infringement			claims			media		
and playback of	depends on			(infringement			claims		
music, movies,	app or Digital			depends on app or			(infringement		
videos, television	Download and			Digital Download			depends on		
shows, and other	type of			and type of			app or		
continuous play	Seamless			Seamless Expansion			Digital		
media content in	Expansion			Content being			Download		
conjunction with	Content being			played when used			and type of		
digital downloads	played)			with touch screen or			Seamless		
(such as movies) and				voice control remote			Expansion		
apps allowing for	41 (method	Y	Y	or other device that			Content	Y	Y
seamless expansion	claim)			does not require			being played)		
that are pre-loaded or	(infringement			pushing a button to					
can be downloaded	depends on			access seamless			7-12		
from the Samsung	App or Digital			expansion content)			(method		
App Store, Google	Download and						claims		
Play Store or other	type of						(infringement		
websites through	Seamless						depends on		
Samsung's "Smart	Expansion						app or		

Hub" feature. These	Content being				Ī		Digital	<u> </u>	1
Smart TVs include							Digital		
	played when								
the Samsung	used with						and type of		
MU9000 series,	touch screen						Seamless		
MU8500 series,	or voice						Expansion		
MU7500series,	control remote						Content		
MU7000 series,	or other						being played)		
MU6500 series,	device that								
MU6300 series,	does not								
Q65Q7F series,	require								
KU6250 series,	pushing a								
KU6290 series, 9-	button to								
Series KS9000, 8-	access								
Series KS8000,	seamless								
JS9000 Series,	expansion								
JS8500 Series,	content)								
JU7500 series,									
HU9000 series,									
H7150 Series, H6400									
Series, H6350 Series,									
F9000 Series, F8000									
Series and other									
Smart TVs having the									
same or similar									
functionality with									
respect to the '226									
and/or '379 patents.									
Product	'158 Claims	Direct	Induce	'379 Claims	Direct	Induce	'226 Claims	Direct	Induce
	Infringed			Infringed			Infringed		
Samsung Smart TVs	37, 40, 41	Y	Y	21-27	Y	Y	1-6	Y	Y
having "Smart	(method			(computer			(computer		
Interaction"	claims)			readable media			readable		
technology -	(infringement			claims			media		

Samsung Smart TVs	depends on	(infringement	claims		
having "Smart	app or Digital	depends on app or	(infringement		
Interaction"	Download and	Digital Download	depends on		
technology that	type of	and type of	app or		
enables the viewer to	Seamless	Seamless Expansion	Digital		
		Content being	Download		
operate the TV and	Expansion Content being	_			
access content	Content being	played)	and type of		
(including, upon	played)		Seamless		
information and			Expansion	***	X 7
belief, Seamless			Content	Y	Y
Expansion content)			being played)		
without pushing a					
button, either through			7-12		
hand gestures or			(method		
voice commands.			claims		
These include			(infringement		
Samsung F 7/8/9			depends on		
series SMART TV			app or		
			Digital		
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			Expansion		
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